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JIM - HARVEY HAYS

JERRY - JOHN LARKIN

SOUNDREMARKS

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8. section of your little forest. And to think you and the  
9. children did it all by yourselves without any outside help  
10. at all. That was grand.  
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12. a few trees without any help? Look at all the time I put in  
13. when they first started the school forest. I reckon those  
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MARY: Oh, so that's it. Instead of being proud and interested in the fact that the school children of Winding Creek are planting trees for their Daddies and brothers who have gone off to war, you..you..only think of staying in bed. You ought to be ashamed, Jerry Quick.

BESS: I'm sure Jerry was only teasing, Mary.

MARY: Well, I don't think he should even tease about something like this. If he could only see how proud those children are about their Victory trees, as they call them...

JERRY: Okay. Okay. I musta misjudged the seriousness of the occasion. (PUTTING IT ON) Miss Halloway, I shall be very pleased to accompany you on an inspection of your school forest bright and early tomorrow morning...(STRAIGHT) Hey! Did I say bright and early tomorrow morning?

JIM: (BROGUE) Shure...and that's exactly what you said, Jerry me lad!

ALL LAUGH OUT

PAUSE

FADE IN ROOSTER CROWING, OFF

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JERRY: Aw, I was only kidding. Say, these young trees are doing all right, aren't they, Jim?

JIM: I think they're growing fine, considerin' this school plantation was only started a few years ago.

JERRY: You know, Jim. All this is kinda interesting at that. I was just thinking....

JIM: Yeah?

JERRY: Some of those boys, the older ones, who helped plant these trees back then...well, some of 'em are in the Army and Navy now...fighting for their country way off somewhere...

JIM: Yes, that's true. Look at this name stake, here. See?

JERRY: Yeah. Some kid put that there when he planted that tree. With his name on...See? Dick Talbot...Golly, Dick Talbot... He..he's...

JIM: Yes, Dick was one of the first Winding Creek kids to enlist. And here's his tree, waitin' for him to get back...

MARY: Dick Talbot has two trees named after him, waiting for him to get back.

JERRY: Huh?...Where in the world did you come from, Mary?

JIM: (CHUCKLING) You'd beat any Indian alive, comin' up on us so quietly, Mary.

MARY: (LAUGHING) You were both so interested in that tree you didn't notice me, that's all.

JERRY: What did you mean, Dick Talbot's got two trees named after him?

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are... fighting for their country way off somewhere.  
... look at this name card, there. Don't  
know. Jim's kid put that there when he planted that tree.  
With his name on... See? Dick Talbot... (silly Dick Talbot)

...  
... I was one of the first planting trees like no other.  
... his tree, waitin' for him to get back...  
... has two trees named after him, waitin' for him to  
get back.  
... there in the world did you come from, Henry?  
(MUCH LAUGHING) You'd best say Indian alive, countin' up on me.  
(MUCH LAUGHING) You were better be interested in that tree you see  
notice me, that's all.  
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him?



MARY: Well, there's this one he planted himself when he was in school, and then there's one his little sister Connie planted for him this year.

JERRY: In that Victory Tree Section you were talking about, Mary? By George, that is something at that, Jim.

JIM: Seems to me that's what Mary's been trying to tell you all along, Jerry. Let's have a look at that special Victory section you've added to your plantation here, Mary.

MARY: All right. Come on, I'll show you.

JERRY: Mary, I don't mind telling you, I think this is a swell stunt you've done, you and your kids. Trees as Service Stars, huh?

MARY: That's the idea...Oh, by the way, where's Mrs. Robbins? Couldn't she come this morning, after all?

JIM: Yeah, sure. Bess'll be here directly. She wanted to stop and say hello to some folks along the way...Say, all these young trees are doing right well, Mary.

MARY: These were planted by our Junior class two years ago.

JERRY: Say, did you folks hear that?

MARY: What, Jerry? I don't hear anything.

JERRY: Wait a minute. There! Hear it? Like a kid crying.

CHILD SOBS FROM OFF, SUSTAIN

JIM: You're right, Jerry. Sounds like some youngster's bawling her head off up ahead there.

MARY: Yes, there is some one crying.

JIM: Well come on. Let's see what it's all about.





1. FOOTSTEPS HURRYING

2. JERRY: We're not going too fast for you, Mary?

3. MARY: No, Jerry. Don't mind me. I just wonder who could be out here  
4. this early on a Sunday morning and...Look! It's a little  
5. girl....

6. SOBS IN CLOSER

7. JIM: She isn't crying as though she's hurt any. The kid's mad  
8. about something, sounds like....

9. JERRY: Yeah. What's she trying to do? Looks like she's trying to  
10. yank that tree right outa the ground....

11. JIM: (CALLS) Here! Here! What're you trying to do, girlie?...Come  
12. on, now, let go that tree. That's no way to do...

13. SOBS ON FULL

14. MARY: (COMING ON) Why, it's Connie Talbot!

15. JERRY: Connie Talbot? Dick's sister?

16. JIM: M-m-m. Thought she looked familiar.

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1. MARY: Connie. Connie Talbot. What's the matter with you, child?...

2. Stop crying and tell me what you're doing out here.

3. CONNIE: (SOBBING) I hate it! I hate it! I'm going to pull it up,

4. that's what I'm going to do.

5. MARY: Whatever are you talking about, child?

6. JIM: I reckon she means this little tree she half pulled outa

7. the ground, Mary.

8. JERRY: M-m-m. Look here. This stake's got Dick Talbot's name on

9. it too...See?

10. MARY: That's the tree you planted for your brother, Connie. The

11. little tree you planted for Dick.

12. CONNIE: (SOBBING) Yes...I hate it. If...if Dick had to die I don't

13. want that tree to live either. You...you said it might help

14. to bring Dick back to us safely and...and it didn't...so I

15. hate it, I hate it.

16. MARY: I didn't know about Dick, Connie. I didn't know he was...

17. JIM: Seems to me we'd all have heard if anything happened to

18. young Talbot...

19. JERRY: Maybe they just got word last night, Jim....

20. CONNIE: (QUIETER) We haven't heard from Dick for months and months

21. and....(SOBBING AGAIN) he's dead that's why. I know he's

22. dead and won't ever come back...

23. JERRY: Hey, did you folks get that? It's just that they haven't

24. heard from Dick.....

25.

Constance: Gosh, I don't know. What's the matter with you, child?

Keep coming and tell me what you're doing out here.

(Sobbing) I hate it! I hate it! I'm going to kill it.

That's what I'm going to do.

Whatever are you talking about, child?

I reckon she means she'll take care of it.

Yes, I will.

Now, look here. The doctor's got to take the child's name.

It's... it's...

That's all right. The doctor's got to know the name.

Right, right, right, right.

(Sobbing) Yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, yes.

Now, the doctor's got to know the name. You... you need to know the name.

to let the doctor know the name. And the doctor's got to know the name.

Yes, I know it.

I don't know about that, Constance. I don't know the name.

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the child.

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1. MARY: Yes, the poor child's built it all up in her own mind...Dick  
2. may be perfectly all right, Connie. Connie, listen to me,  
3. dear.....  
4. JIM: Let me talk to her, Mary....Connie?  
5. CONNIE: (TEARFULLY) Yes, sir?  
6. JIM: Connie, you know who I am, don't you?  
7. CONNIE: Yes sir. You're Ranger Jim Robbins. Everybody knows that.  
8. JIM: Connie, will you listen carefully to what I'm goin' to say?  
9. And believe me?  
10. CONNIE: I....I guess so.  
11. JIM: (HEARTILY) That's fine! Now, Connie, listen. Maybe you  
12. don't know it, but your big brother Dick and I were pretty  
13. good pals, we were.  
14. CONNIE: I know. Dick liked you...a lot....that's what he told Momma.  
15. JIM: Well, Dick liked the woods and trees a whole lot too.  
16. CONNIE: Yes sir?  
17. JIM: I'm thinking that Dick would be kinda ashamed if he knew  
18. what you were aiming to do with this little tree you planted  
19. for him, Connie. You wouldn't want to make Dick ashamed of  
20. anything you did; now would you?  
21. CONNIE: No sir.

...the other side of the hill is all up to the sky...

...and...

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(Mary says) Yes, sir.

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You say?

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for him, Constance. You wouldn't want to make Dick seem to

and that was that, now would you?

No, sir.



1. JIM: There are a great many little girls like you, Connie, with  
2. brothers and yes, fathers too, off fighting some where...and  
3. often they don't hear from them for a long time either...  
4. but that's no sign the ones they love aren't all right...But  
5. we were talking about this tree....

6. CONNIE: Yes sir.

7. JIM: You don't really hate this tree, child. You couldn't, Connie.  
8. You just hate the idea of not knowing where your brother is  
9. and what he's doing. Isn't that right?

10. CONNIE: Ye....e....s, sir. I suppose so. You mean Dick may be  
11. some place where he can't write? And that he isn't...that  
12. he isn't really dead? Honest and truly?

13. JIM: I see no reason to believe otherwise, Connie. Now we got  
14. to get you home...

15. CONNIE: But that tree...Dick's tree...I've got to...

16. BESS: (OFF) Hello...Jim...Mary...where are you?

17. MARY: It's Mrs. Robbins. (CALLS) Here we are! Over here!

18. BESS: (COMING ON) Hello. I'm sorry I'm so late...Well! Connie  
19. Talbot...Child, your mother's looking all over for you.  
20. What in the world...?

21. JIM: Skip it, Bess. We're gonna take Connie home now. You say  
22. her mother's worried about her?

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Good luck. Between a cat and a rat



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2. she got a telegram from her son while I was visiting with  
3. her. He's coming home on furlough. Just got back in the  
4. United States and ...do you understand, Connie? Your  
5. brother Dick is coming home....

6. MARY: Oh, how wonderful.

7. CONNIE: Dick...he's coming home?...He's ...he's coming home soon?

8. BESS: Yes, dear. Tomorrow or the day after, I think his telegram  
9. said.

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11. too, and right now, young lady.

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17. Connie. Go ahead and fix your tree if you want to.

18. JERRY: Want me to help you, Connie?

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20. BESS: (SOTTO) Jim, what is all this about?

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 2. if I hurt you...I didn't really mean to, honest...See?  
 3. I'm putting all the dirt back around your roots just like  
 4. it was before...Please don't die, little tree. Please  
 5. grow again, little tree...(FADE) Please, please grow again.

6. MUSICAL FINALE

7. ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers <sup>is presented by the Blue</sup> comes to you each week during the  
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